## **Amateur Photo Contest 2003**

## Sponsored by: Friends of the Montezuma Wetlands Complex

rab your camera and take a picture that captures the essence of the Complex. All age and amateur ability levels welcome! Check out the rules below, clip the entry form, and send us your best: **RULES:** 

- 1. Photo must have been taken during 2003 within the boundaries of the Montezuma Wetlands Complex. That includes the north end of Cayuga Lake, the Refuge, DEC lands in the area and any other public location in the townships of Tyre and Savannah. That means you can take a photo from a public road, the canal, public lands or any other place open to the general public.
- **2.** Entry fee is \$2.00 for each photo submitted (proceeds to benefit the Friends activities). There is no limit as to how many photos an individual may submit. Submissions become the property of the

Friends group. Each photo must be labeled with your name, location of the photo and the category you are submitting it to. Make checks payable to: Friends of the Montezuma Wetlands Complex.

- **3.** Contest is open to amateurs only. USFWS, DEC employees and Friend's board members are also excluded.
- **4.** Submissions must be black and white or color prints, 5x7 or smaller. Do not submit original slides or negatives. Only winning entries will be asked to provide original slides or negatives for duplication purposes. Prints will only be returned if entrant provides a self-addressed stamped envelope.
- **5.** Digital images are only allowed in the special digital photo category.
- **6.** All photos submitted should have a nature theme. Submissions must be in one of the following categories:
- A. Bird
- B. Other wildlife (mammals, insects, fish, etc)

- C. Scenic/Plant
- D. People and Nature
- E. Best Digital (any subject with a nature theme allowed)
- 7. Submissions Deadline: Dec. 15th, 2003.

Questions? Email John Van Niel at vanniel@usadatanet.net

**PRIZES:** All winning entrants will receive a framed 8 x10 copy of their photo. An additional 8 x10 will be displayed at the Montezuma Visitor Center and then raffled with proceeds to benefit the Friends of the Montezuma Wetlands Complex. In addition, "Best in Show" will be turned into a limited edition post-card with no more than 4000 copies made. 250 copies will be given to the winning entrant.

## **ENTRY FORM**

NAME:  ADDRESS:			Photo Contest c/o Montezuma Refuge
Entry #1 (title):		Category:	Location:
Entry #2 (title):		Category:	Location:
Entry #3 (title):		Category:	Location:
Entry #4 (title)		Category:	Location:
Entry #5 (title):		Category:	Location:
Entry #6 (title):		Category:	Location:
Entry #7 (title):		Category:	Location:
Entry #8 (title):		Category:	Location:

I acknowledge that I have read the rules and understand them. I agree that submissions become the property of the Friend's group and they may be used for publicity purposes and as specified within the rules.

SIGNATURE: DATE: